PORTRAITS OF PLACES. By HENRY JAMES. 12mo. pp. 376, James R. Osgood & Co.

These letters and sketches, originally printed in THE TRIBUNE, The Century, The Atlantic Monthly, and other periodicals, represent a part of the literary activity of thirteen years, and Mr. James remarks, in a tone of deprecation, that the earliest of them can now have only historical value. To us, however, they all seem fresh. Mr. James has caught something more than the superficial and evanescent expression of places, Like other good portrait painters, he is an observer of character; and his studies of town and country, Venice and Saratoga, Genea and Hastings, London, Newport, Rouen, Paris, Quebec, reach those essential traits upon which the changing fashions of ten or fifteen years have no appreciable effect. This is equivalent to saying that, besides a remarkable gift of penetration, Mr. James possesses another most important qualification of the literary traveller, an instructive appreciation of what is worth observing. Of course there are many ways of looking at a place, but Mr. James's way is always worth while. Sometimes it is delightfully original. When he dwells upon external details, they are little things which other tourists have not thought of mentioning, but which nevertheless are found to be brilliantly illustrative. His chapter on Etretat, for example, is made up apparently of trifles, touched with a light and easy hand, and yet chosen with so fine an art that the result is one of the most vivid pictures we have seen in type for many a day. The whole aspect and fundamental character of the little watering-place are set before us without the slightest attempt at what is called "word-painting." Bright, clear, resorted with his wife and son for the sake of the sympathetic and unaffected, the paper is a model of

the light descriptive style.

Sympathy is a quality which a great many people miss in Mr. James's writings, but one can hardly deny that it is here. He is not a sentimental traveller; he impresses you as a man who has seen too much and lounged too long to be easily moved by the reveal or the second control of the second control or the second con by the novel or the poetical; nevertheless he has a poetic susceptibility to scenes and associations, and he reflects, if not always the soul of a place, at least certain of its significant features, with a rare fidelity. Nobody will imagine, certainly Mr. James himself will not, that the essential charm of Stratford is presented in this volume; but a part of the characteristic beauty of Shakespeare's country

well with the plan of the novel as well as with the bent of Mr. Norris's talents. If his book is not exciting it is at least very pleasant. There is perhaps one drawback to our enjoyment of it, and that is the character of the hero. When Lady Constance turns upon that gentleman with a cold look of contempt, and says, "After all, you are not worth much," we cannot help feeling that her ladyship is about right, But Maxwell is a better mun than he thinks himself. He dwells in these reminiscences of youth upon his weakness, his vacillation, his inconstancy; he leaves the evidence of his generosity and high-mindedness to display itself in his conduct; and before we part company with him we are to see his character strengthened and his best tendencies developed by a change of circumstances and the influence of a busy life in a new country, it is remarkable indeed that all the actors in the story, even the subordinates, are interesting, and several of them strongly engage our sympathies. Lady Constance Milner is not the herome, but she is the most important personage. She belongs to a type not uncommon in fletion, a handsome, heartless, incommon in fletion, a character is that of Mrs. Farquhar. In the delineation of this exasperating old lady there is such a fresh strafn of humor that we can haply creation. It was a fine stroke of art to set off against her those charming and patient elderly gentlemen, her two sons, the squire and the kentled of a gainst her those charming and patient elderly gentlemen, her two sons, the squire and the kentled of the same and the influence of a last for a fortune, gets a good deal more come for out of the iransaction than she deserves. The most successful character is that of Mrs. Farquhar. In the delineation of this exasperating old lady there is such a fresh strafn of humor that we can happy creation. It was a fine stroke of art to set off against her those charming and patient elderly gentlemen, her two sons, the squire well with the plan of the novel as well as with the bent of Mr. Norris's talents. If his book is not patient elderly gentlemen, her two sons, the squire

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Name.	Op'g	ff'g't.	Low't	Final.	Bid.	Ask'd	Shares Sold	
Can Pacific	57%	57.34	*54%				15,900	
do exeliv			53.74	34%	54.54	754.7%	mega.	
Can Southern	613	524	5134	5234	0234	1000	3,50	
Cent of N.J	86	861g (163 ₆	85%	86% 66%	5601g	86% 66%	1,10	
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Chic & N W	1134	116%	115%	116%	11/02	11034	10:30	
dopref	14115	143	1401_2	1.457	14204	110%	67,1	
CM&StP	86%	8 - 12	86%	2635.74	34.8 %	88.50	Gille	
do pref	114 12	1114	114%	1114	11:12	18711	- 22	
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CRIA Pac	117	117	117	1914 1174 1174	116	117	71	
Del. L. & W	1163	117%	1167m	117%	117%	117%	4,96 71 36,25 22	
D. & H. Canal.	100	100	1005		3.1785	1.1103.74	22	
D. & Rio G	20	214	1042	1114	20%	21	4.510	
I.T. Vade G pr.	1179	11%	11% 46	46	40	415	15	
C StP M & O da pref. C Eur & Q. C Eur & Q. C E. L & W. Del. L. & W. D. & H. Canal. D. & Elio G. F. T.Va & G. pr. Hous & Texas.	326	136	136	136	136	1365	50	
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L.E. & W	175	1742	175 435	17.50	17	1742	10	
Ill. Cent. I. B. & W. Lake shore. I. E. & W. Lome & Nash. Manbaltan.	44	40 %	4376	45 %	45%	45%	10,12	
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SATURDAY, Jan. 26-P. M. The stock market to-day opened feverish and in the early hours prices were depressed by the pub-

lished statements that the negociations for a settlement of the disagreements between the Western railroads had failed. The declines, however, hardly amounted to as much as 1 per cent. From the lowest figures there were quick recoveries and frequent fluctuations, denoting a support to the market, despite the depressing influences, At 2 o'clock prices ranged at about the same figures as those at which yesterday's closing was made. large seller. The wheat pit controlled the In the fast hour the upward movement was rapid and sharp, and in that hour all of the gains shown over yesterday's last figures were made. An important factor in the final dualings, and the one that imparted the spirited buying which was developed, was the rumor that late last evening a representatives of the clashing interests. The nature of the agreement arrived at is unknown, but some of the officials in this city received telegrams announcing the fact as briefly as it is told above.

The stocks of the Northern Pacific system were the receipts next week of what is told above. The stocks of the Northern Pacific system were still features of the market; they opened weak It is generally anticipated anyway that with the continand made further declines, but later rallied—even before the rest of the market—and closed from 314 receipts will be pretty large. Within the last two weeks to 74 per cent higher; the latter for Oregon Railroad and Navigation, which had declined from \$1 to 7812. There were rumors of some large operations affecting a matured loan upon the Northern Pacific preferred stock. One story was that the loan had been taken up by some of the large operators, and another that the loan had been paid by a private sale of the collateral. Whether or not the rumor had any foundation in fact, the operation, if one was made, was a private transaction, and no definite

State bonds were neglected, but South Carolina 6s (Brown's) sold at 105. Of city bank stocks, Fourth National sold at 131, and Mechanics at 151. Generally the railroad bond market was not as good as it was yesterday; but before the close there were some sharp recoveries in prices. West Share and Buffalo first 5s declined from 521s to 51 and rose to 53 \$\approx 525\$s; the sales amounted to \$1,200,000. Northern Pacific firsts declined to 964 and to 95 seller 60 days, and ended at 9712; sales \$550,000 of which \$260,000 were on sellers' options. Erio second leonsols were off 4 at 894. Missouri, Kansas and Texas general mortgages were off 1 per cent at 79. Metropolitan Elevated firsts were up to 10314, and the second sold at 91 against 88 the last previous sale. Pennsylvania 4123 sold at 9412@95, and Central and Hudson debenture 5s at 10418 The issues of the Northwestern Railroad generally were steady, but Manitoba consols were 4 off at 983_4 . Texas and Pacific incomes sold at $404_2@413_4$

983). Texas and Pacific incomes sold at 40½ 41¼ against 41½ last evening, and firsts Rio Grande division after declining 3s to 72% rose to 73¾ 473½ Oregon Railroad and Navigation firsts were steady at 103½ 103¾, and Oregon and Transcontinental firsts sold at 70 against 65.

The Sub-Treasury to-day gained on balance \$197.823 made up by a currency gain of \$453,775 and a coin loss of \$255,952; its balance was further increased by an issue of \$2,000,000 gold certificates. The day'stransactions covered: Receipts, \$3,201.241; payments, \$1,003,418; currency balance, \$9,810.848; coin balance, \$117,666,016.

Money loaned principally at 1½ per cent on call, and closed offered at that rate.

The Clearing House statement to-day was as follows: Exchanges, \$108,177,310; balances, \$3,395,776. For the week—Exchanges, \$718,923, 779; balances, \$30,830,597.

The customs receipts reported at Washington to-day were \$805,494, and the internal revenue receipts \$327,847. The United States Treasury received \$1,078,000 National bank notes for redemption, and the receipts for the week were as follows:

New-York

The United States Treasury now holds \$344,235,-550 United States bonds to secure National bank circulation; bonds deposited for circulation during the week, \$606,000; bonds withdrawn during the week, \$1,879,600; National bank circulation outstanding—Currency notes, \$348,871,129, gold notes, \$718,734. notes, \$718,734.

Mr. David A. Moran to-day took \$300,000 Buffalo
City 4 per cent bonds at a premium of about 2 per

cause it is a reversal of the movements of preceding months. The statement shows a gain of \$2,194,550 to the surplus reserve and leaves it at \$19,478,775. The following are the comparative totals of the statements of January 19 and January 26:

10,10 Jan 28 Differences.

Total reserve. \$103,678,400 \$106,952,300 Inc. \$3,272,900 Reserve required against deposits \$8,395,175 87,473,525 Inc. 1,078,350 Surplus....... \$17,284,225 \$19,478,775 Inc. \$2,194,550 Imports of merchandise in New-York; For the week: 1382, 1883, 1884, Dry goods 53,184,486 53,815,448 \$2,126,768 General merchandisc. 4,679,729 7,593,105 4,530,105

For the week \$4,814,215 \$11,400,553 \$6,656,873 Previously reported .. 29,351,924 25,260,684 26,215,842 Total since Jan 1 ... \$37,166,139 \$34,676,237 Exports of specie from New-York:

Total since Jan. 1., \$1,085,680 \$1,276,815 \$1,346,307 Imports of specie at New-York:

For the week \$13,033 \$378,209

Previously reported. 287,252 164,847

Total since Jan 1.... \$352,285 \$543,656 THE PETROLEUM MARKET.

Quiet strength again was the feature of the | 5,000 | 60¹2 | 75,000 | 52²4 | 80 Caroline & Erown consol* in 10,000 | 52²5 | 8 Province on sol* in 10,000 | 52²5 | 8 Province on sol* in 10,000 | 52²5 | 8 Province on sol* in 10,000 | 52²5 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,0 down to \$1 10% (12 cent above last night's price) but the

close was firm at \$1 111s.

VAGARIES OF THE CHICAGO WHEAT PIT-A STRONG BULL MOVEMENT.

JEY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRUETNE Chicago, Jan. 26.-To-day's market was a most peculiar one. Wheat at one moment looked weaks and at another strong. The May option at one minute sold above 99 cents, and within five minutes more was about 9812. There was big buying, but the figures would not go to 99%. There was heavy selling, but they would not go below 98%. The market had every appearance of being "pegged" at 9812. The receipts were small, only forty-three carloads, and the cables were higher.

ing through brokers. Whenever the quotations went under 98%, a group of brokers was ready to take apparently all there was to sell. Judging from the men, I should say that they represented Hobbs and the Adamses," Messrs, Poole, Kent & Co. bought largely all day and Jones was a large seller. He, however, seemed to be rather pounding prices than selling wheat. He offered 500,000 bushed lots is cent under the market, lowering the quetations large seller. The wheat pit controlled the feeling in all the grain pits. The close was 98% cents for May against 99 cents last night and

The ratiroads which last week informed their shippers that because of the grain blockade at Chicago they could not guarantee warehouse room at this point, have sent out new notices saying that the blockade has been temthe receipts next week of wheat and cornthere has been much snow and the western railroads have been delayed in getting freight in. The selling to-night, especially by Nat Jones, is upon the theory, it is explained, that next week's early receipts, temporarily at least, will break the market and consequently that sales to-day at made, was a private transaction, and no definite information concerning it could be obtained. In the general market St. Paul and Union Pacific were the leaders and they closed respectively 2 and 17s per cent above the lowest early prices. Central and Hudson and Lake Shore also developed some activity and a good deal of strength; but the whole market participated in the late buoyancy and it closed excited and strong.

Government bonds were fairly active, and early sales were made at advanced figures; but the closing quotations were unchanged as follows:

Bid. Asked
U.S. 4**s1891.cog. 114*, 114*, U.S. cur. 6*s. 1895.135
U.S. 4*s1891.cog. 114*, 114*, U.S. cur. 6*s. 1895.135
U.S. 4*s1891.cog. 114*, 114*, U.S. cur. 6*s. 1898.135
U.S. 4*s1891.cog. 114*, 114*, U.S. cur. 6*s. 1899.137
U.S. 5*s1895.292